REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-30, and 32-35 are pending. Claims 1, 12, and 25 have been amended herein. Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-30, and 32-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Claims 4, 15, and 31 have been cancelled. Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the instant response. No new matter has been added herein.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

The present Office Action rejected Claims 1-3, 5-14, and 16-24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gvili (U.S. Patent No. 5,717,593) (hereinafter referred to as 'Gvili'), in view of Fowler et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,104,979) (hereinafter referred to as 'Fowler'), McClure et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,539,303) (hereinafter referred to as 'McClure'), Murphy (U.S. Patent No. 6,711,475) (hereinafter referred to as 'Murphy'), and Weindorf (U.S. Patent No. 6,762,741). Applicants has reviewed the above cited references and respectfully submit that the present invention as recited in Claims 1-3, 5-14, and 16-24 is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by Gvili taken alone or in combination with Fowler, McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf.

The present Office Action rejected Claims 25-27 and 35 under U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fowler, McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf. Applicants has reviewed the above cited references and respectfully submit that the present invention as recited in Claims 25-27 and

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35 is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by Fowler in view of McClure, Murphy, and

Weindorf.

Additionally, the present Office Action rejected Claims 28-30, and 32-34 under 35

U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fowler, in view of McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf

(as applied to Claim 25). Applicants has reviewed the above cited references and respectfully

submit that the present invention as recited in Claims 28-30, and 32-34, is neither anticipated nor

rendered obvious by Fowler taken alone or in combination with McClure, Murphy, Gvili, and

Weindorf.

According to the Federal Circuit, "To establish prima facie obviousness of a claimed

invention, all the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art." In re-

Royka, 490 F.2d 981, 180 USPQ 580 (CCPA 1974).

Independent Claims 1, 12, and 25

Applicants respectfully point out that amended independent Claims 1, 12, and 25 each

recite that the present invention includes an integrated guidance system. In particular, each of

the amended independent Claims 1, 12, and 25 recites that the present invention includes, in part:

...wherein said housing has a first wing-shaped portion and a second wing-shaped

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portion configured to protect a cable connector extending from said housing.

Support for these amendments may be found on at least pages 15-16 and Figures 4-7 of the

specification.

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The claimed embodiments of Claims 1, 12, and 25 pertain to an integrated guidance system. In particular, independent Claims 1, 12, and 25 each recite that the system comprises, in part, a housing having a first wing-shaped portion and a second wing-shaped portion. These wing-shaped portions are configured to protect a connector for a cable, wherein the connector extends from the housing.

Applicants respectfully note that Gvili taken alone or in combination with Fowler, McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf does not teach nor suggest a housing includes a first wingshaped portion and a second wing-shaped portion configured to protect a cable connector extending from the housing as claimed in independent Claims 1, 12, and 25 of the present invention. In contrast, Gvili, Fowler, McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf remain silent as to a housing including a first wing-shaped portion and a second wing-shaped portion configured to protect a cable connector extending from the housing.

Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that Gvili taken alone or in combination with Fowler, McClure, Murphy, and Weindorf does not anticipate or render obvious the system of the present invention as recited in independent Claims 1, 12, and 25. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claims 1, 12, and 25 overcome the cited references and are in a condition for allowance. As such, Claims 2-3, and 5-11, which depend on independent Claim 1 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim. Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 13-14, and 16-24 which depend on independent Claim 12 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

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Additionally, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 26-30 and 32-35 are in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the above-listed remarks and amendments, the Applicants respectfully request allowance of the Claims 1-3, 5-14, 16-30, and 32-35.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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